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SUBJECT: TEXTILES: U.S. PHILIPPINE BILATERAL TEXTILE AGREEMENT

1. DURING RECENT U.S.-PHILIPPINE TEXTILE TALKS, PHILIPPINE SIDE (DONALD DEE) CLAIMED THAT THEIR DIFFICULTIES WITH SWEATERS STEMMED FROM CHANGE OF DEFINITION BY U.S. CUSTOMS, AND THAT PHILIPPINE SIDE HAD NEGOTIATED LEVELS OF THESE TWO CATEGORIES BASED ON HISTORICAL SHIPPING DATA DATING FROM THE PERIOD BEFORE U.S. CUSTOMS CHANGED THE DEFINITION. AS A RESULT, THE PHILIPPINES REQUESTED AN ADJUSTMENT IN THE LIMITATION LEVEL OF SWEATERS.

2. THE U.S. TEAM REPLIED THAT THEY WOULD LOOK INTO THE QUESTION OF THE CHANGE OF DEFINITION BY U.S. CUSTOMS AND REPLY. GOP REPS HAVE INQUIRED ABOUT THE REPLY AND EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE CITA AGENCIES' RESPONSE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. STULL

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